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In re Application of

DECISION ON

OKUBO et al.

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PETITION UNDER

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37 CFR 1.182

For: METHOD OF ANALYZING ELECTROLYIC:

COPPER PLATING SOLUTION AND

ANALYZING DEVICE...

This decision is in response to applicant's "Petition under 37 CFR 1.182" filed on 09 March 2009 in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

BACKGROUND

Applicant filed a transmittal letter for entry into the national stage in the United States accompanied by, *inter alia*, the basic national fee. These papers were accorded a filing date of 20 September 2005.

On 08 April 2008, applicant filed a request for corrected filing receipt. A decision dismissing petition was mailed on 10 February 2009. The decision indicated that the declaration was unacceptable. The given name of the applicant as listed on the published international application is "Yuka MIZUNO." The declaration, filed on 20 September 2005, identifies and is signed by "Yuka YAMADA". The executed declaration is not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) as the declaration does not name the same inventive entity as identified in the published international application. Thus, the declaration did not satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4) for entrance into the national stage in the United States.

On 09 March 2009, applicant filed a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 to correct the inventor's name.

DISCUSSION

A review of the application file reveals that the given name of the applicant as listed on the published international application is "Yuka MIZUNO." The declaration, filed on 12 November 2007, was signed by "Yuka YAMADA" and was unacceptable.

Applicant now submits declaration by the inventor Yuka MIZUNO indicating that her name changed due to her marriage.

CONCLUSION

For the above reasons, the petition under 37 CFR 1.182 to change the respective inventor's name to Yuka YAMADA is **GRANTED**. The declaration submitted on 20 September 2005 now meets the requirements of 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) and is acceptable.

The application will be forwarded to the United States Designated/Elected Office for further processing. The 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) date is 20 September 2005.

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